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### POETRY.

#### MAN.

How poor, how rich, how abject, how august,  
How complete, how wonderful, is man!  
How passing wonder He who made him such!  
Who centred in our make such extremes,  
From different natures marvelously mixed,  
Connection exquisite of distant worlds!  
Distinguished link in being's endless chain!  
Midway from nothing to the Deity!  
A beam ethereal, sullied, and absorbt!  
Thoug' sullied and dishonored, still divine!  
Dim miniature of greatness absolute!  
A' heir of glory! a frail child of dust!  
Helpless immortal! insect infinite!  
A worm! a god!—I tremble at myself,  
And in myself am lost. At home, a stranger,  
Thought wanders up and down, surprised, agast,  
And wondering at her own. How reason reels!  
Oh, what a miracle is man is man!

Triumphantly distressed! What joy! What dread!  
Alternately transported and alarmed!  
What can preserve my life? or what destroy?  
An angel's arm can't snatch me from the grave;  
Legions of angels can't confine me there.

DR. EDWARD YOUNG.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY  
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NEW YORK.

THE SERMON PREACHED AT THE TWENTY-  
FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. ANN'S CHURCH  
FOR DEAF-MUTES BY THE REV. THOMAS  
GALLAUDET, D. D., OCT. 7, 1877.

St. Matthew—XIII. 31, 32. "The  
Kingdom of Heaven is like to a grain of  
mustard seed which a man took and  
sowed in his field; which is indeed the  
least of all seeds; but when it is grown,  
it is the greatest among herbs and be-  
cometh a tree, so that the birds of the  
air come and lodge in the branches  
thereof."

In this brief parable of our Lord, re-  
ferring to the small beginning and ex-  
traordinary growth of the mustard tree  
of Palestine, He proclaimed one of the  
principles which should characterize  
his kingdom.

After fulfilling His Father's will in  
the scenes of the Crucifixion; the Res-  
urrection, the Forty Days and the As-  
cension, He established this kingdom  
on the Day of Pentecost. The Holy  
Ghost, proceeding from the Father  
and the Son, descended upon the twelve  
Apostles, bringing to their minds the  
directions of their Master. As we read  
St. Luke's graphic account of their  
acts upon that eventful day, we think  
at once of the sowing of the mustard  
seed. And as we followed the history  
of the Christian Church, the kingdom  
not of this world, we see evidences of  
that remarkable growth towards the  
maturity, not yet reached, to which our  
Saviour referred in the parable. We  
find also that the principle of extraordi-  
nary developments from what the  
world would call feeble beginnings,  
has been exemplified in all the permanent  
sub-divisions of work which from  
time to time have been interwoven in  
to the Church's organic life.

It is our privilege to-day, my dear  
brethren, to offer with humility and  
gratitude another illustration of the  
principle. As St. Ann's Church has  
been so intimately connected with  
deaf-mutes, we very naturally take  
them into account in our general views  
on an occasion like this, especially as  
we find that all efforts for their wel-  
fare have begun in the planting of very  
small mustard seeds. Passing by the  
rise and progress of the education of  
deaf-mutes in foreign countries, we will  
confine ourselves for a few minutes to  
what has been done for those of our  
own land.

Sixty-two years ago little Alice Cog-  
well won the love of the good people  
of Hartford, Connecticut. Disease  
had destroyed her hearing in early life  
so that she was regarded with pecu-  
liarly tender feelings. Everything was  
done which the ingenuity of friends  
could suggest, to give her the knowl-  
edge which was flowing into the minds  
of her hearing and speaking compa-  
nions, but in vain. The dark shadows  
of ignorance were falling upon her  
naturally bright and beautiful face, be-  
cause the spoken words could not  
burst the sealed portals of her ears  
and influence her inner life. My be-  
loved father, now at rest in Paradise,  
was the first to undertake some sys-  
tematic methods to reach her mind  
through the eye. But he found that  
he needed the wisdom which experi-  
ence had brought to the teachers of  
deaf-mutes in Europe. Providence at  
length guided him to the Royal Insti-  
tution at Paris, whose principal, Sicard,

was the successor of its founder, De  
L'Epee. Having acquired the method  
of teaching deaf-mutes my father re-  
turned to Hartford, bringing with him  
as an associate, Mr. Laurent Clerc, one  
of Sicard's best deaf-mute teachers.  
Due preparations having been made,  
my father opened the first institution  
for deaf-mutes in this country, in Hart-  
ford, on the 17th of April, 1817, with  
Alice Cogswell as his first pupil. The  
first class was small, though composed  
of some who afterwards became rep-  
resentative persons in the silent commu-  
nity. One of these was my mother.  
The quarters of the new institution  
were limited and furnished on a mod-  
est and economical scale. 'Midst warm  
and sympathetic hearts and moistened  
eyes the grain of mustard seed was  
planted. The Christian education of  
deaf-mutes was begun, and now there  
are nearly 50 institutions in our coun-  
try, imparting light and knowledge to  
thousands of our children and young  
men and maidens, who, without them,  
would be passing through this earth-  
ly pilgrimage in a sad and pitiable  
condition. Surely the tree shows signs  
of a vigorous life and growth. Verily,  
in its branches are resting many birds  
who would otherwise be flitting up and  
down in dark places vainly trying to  
find the healthful food which their na-  
tures craved.

In the development of this life and  
growth under the Divine blessing and  
in accordance with the prophecy of the  
God-man, there have appeared, from  
time to time, men who have caught the  
spirit of their gracious Master, and  
tried to the utmost of their ability to  
speak the word "Ephphatha" to the  
mental ears of the children of silence  
clustering about them. The names of  
some of those who have been gathered  
to their fathers are Gallaudet, Clerc,  
Peet, Weld, Hubbell, Hutton, Cary,  
Rae, Stone, Jacobs, Tyler, Brown, Of-  
ficer and Morris. These and others,  
besides esteemed men who are still  
pilgrims and sojourners here, and of  
whom the oldest is Rev. W. W. Turn-  
er of Hartford, are looked upon by  
thousands of deaf-mutes as the leaders  
who have guided them from Egypt to-  
wards the promised land. Such men  
have fostered the life which will yet  
bloom perennially in the City of God.

In September, 1843, I was pro-  
visionally led to an official connection  
with the life and growth to which I  
have thus briefly referred, though I  
had long been mindful of it through  
the tender associations of family ties.  
I became one of the professors of the  
New York Institution for Deaf-Mutes,  
and continued my connection with it  
till the 1st of Oct., 1858—fifteen years.  
On the 15th of July, 1845, God gave  
me for my wife a graduate of this in-  
stitution, and thus bound me more  
closely to the people among whom He  
was fitting me to extend the kingdom  
of His dearly beloved Son. The peri-  
od was drawing nigh for special effort  
to develop and strengthen among the  
adult deaf-mutes, the life which had  
begun in their school days. A decid-  
ed step towards this new phase of work  
was taken in June, 1850. Then in old  
St. Stephen's Church, at the corner of  
Broome and Christie streets, the Rev.  
Joseph H. Price, D. D., being Rector,  
I was ordained a Deacon by the Rt.  
Rev. Bishop Wittingham. I was at  
that time just 28 years of age. The fol-  
lowing September I commenced a Bi-  
ble class for deaf-mutes in the vestry  
room of St. Stephen's Church. It was  
intended for those who had graduated  
at various institutions, and settled  
down in this city to support themselves  
and their families.

The class was so small at first that,  
under the figure of the text, we could  
say we were sowing the mustard seed.  
But the growth came so rapidly that  
we were compelled to remove to No.  
59 Bond street where we remained for  
several years. We met on Thursday  
evenings. On Sundays it was my  
privilege to assist the Rev. Dr. Price  
in the services at St. Stephen's Church,  
though occasionally having to officiate  
in my turn, at the Chapel of the New  
York Institution. I spent much of my  
leisure time during the week in visiting  
my deaf-mute friends at their  
homes or work-shops, and was instrumen-  
tal in leading quite a number to  
Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy  
Communion in St. Stephen's Church.

In July, 1851, at Grace Church,  
Brooklyn Heights, I was ordained a  
priest by the Rt. Rev. Bishop De Lancey,  
and for some time after that event I  
assisted the Rev. Dr. Carter, on Sun-  
days, in St. Ann's Church and St. Paul's  
Chapel, Morrisania. Early in the spring  
of 1852, various circumstances led me  
to think that there should be one  
church in the city of New York hav-  
ing a special mission to deaf-mutes.  
The thought gained strength and shape  
at the bed-side of Cornell A. Lathrop,  
one of the most gentle and lovely of  
my deaf-mute friends. Having been  
stricken with consumption while a pu-  
pil at the institution, she had gone to  
her home in the city for the com-  
forting care which only a mother knows  
how to give. I visited her often, and  
gave her the Holy Communion several  
times. Bye and bye the angels came  
to bear her departing spirit to Para-  
dise. At the unusually touching fu-  
neral service, I resolved, with God's help,  
to try and find a new church which  
should promote the temporal and  
spiritual welfare of the deaf-mute  
residents of our city. Several ad-  
dressess were made and the follow-  
ing gentlemen appointed a com-  
mittee to solicit donations for the  
building fund of the proposed Church,  
viz:

Rt. Rev. Bishop Wainwright, Gen.  
J. Watson Webb, Mr. Robert Gracie,  
Rev. Benjamin I. Haight, D. D., Mr.  
Augustin Averill, Treasurer, Rev. G. T.  
Bedell, D. D., Gen. Prosper M. Wet-  
more, Mr. Cyrus Curtis, Rev. B. C.  
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Mr. Robert D. Weeks, Rev. G. Jarvis  
Geer, D. D., Rev. Francis Vinton, D.  
D., Rev. S. H. Weston, D. D., H. P.  
Peet, LL. D., Capt. Wm. A. Spencer.

Of this Committee of sixteen, nine  
have passed beyond the veil, while seven  
are still spared to watch over our  
future life and growth. This Com-  
mittee published an appeal which was  
prepared by Dr. Haight and Dr. Peet.

On Sunday afternoon, June 12th, 1853,  
Bishop Wainwright confirmed six deaf-mutes.

On the first anniversary I reported  
3 baptisms, 3 funerals and 1 marriage  
and the beginning of a Sunday School,  
and that during the year \$70.52 had  
been given for the sick and poor;

\$596.68 for current expenses (\$300.00  
being from Trinity Church), and about  
\$6,500 for the building fund. For  
the latter the venerable Bishop Kemper  
sent \$5. Mr. Augustin Averill, the  
Treasurer, succeeded in obtaining sev-  
eral handsome subscriptions from the  
business men in the city. Dr. Peet  
gave an exhibition of the pupils of the  
New York Institution, the proceeds of  
which amounted to over \$700, and the late  
Mrs. E. Holbrook made the first dona-  
tion of \$500. This was soon fol-  
lowed by another one of \$500 from  
Miss Abby Loring, of Boston. In ex-  
amining my first anniversary discourse,  
I find that I was led to say that the  
time would come when we should  
need a Home for Aged and Infirm  
Deaf-mutes. I also called attention  
to the fact that the institution for  
deaf-mutes being supported by legis-  
lative appropriations, could not have  
any ecclesiastical organizations, and  
that St. Ann's Church was, therefore,  
called upon to labor the more earnestly  
for the graduates, to lead them to  
be communicants in the Church of  
Christ. With the consent of the Rector  
these were transferred to my pastoral  
care. In thus founding St. Ann's Church  
for Deaf-mutes, I had the ap-  
proval of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Wain-  
wright and the majority of the rectors  
of the parishes in the city of New York.

As you have listened to this plain and  
simple narrative of facts, you have  
thought that the mustard seed was  
once more planted, and as we con-  
template the results on the 25th anni-  
versary, we surely have reason to offer  
devout thanks to God for the life and  
growth with which he has blessed the  
slowly maturing tree.

It was no easy matter to find a name  
for the infant parish. The usual names  
had been already taken by existing  
parishes. We desired a short one so  
that we could gracefully add to it the  
expression for Deaf-mutes. We at  
length fixed upon St. Ann's, thinking  
that the corporate name of "St. Ann's  
Church for Deaf-mutes" would sound  
pleasantly, and supposing we had a  
Scripture title, Ann being a contrac-  
tion for Anna, the prophetess. We  
afterwards learned that the early  
Church had commemorated the mother  
of the Virgin Mary under the title of  
St. Ann, and were quite content with  
that view of the subject, especially as  
the original meaning of the word Ann  
is a "gracious giver." With free seats  
and free-will offerings at the very be-  
ginning of our parish life, we trusted  
that St. Ann's Church would prove to  
be the gracious giver of spiritual bless-  
ings to all sorts and conditions of  
men. We have not been disappointed  
for during the past twenty-five years,  
this parish has ministered to the peo-  
ple of almost every race and color, to  
deaf-mutes, to the blind and those suf-  
fering from other physical deprivations,  
to the rich and to those in moderate  
circumstances, as well as to the poor.

With the growth of our church  
the number of deaf-mutes increased  
and we were compelled to add to our  
services. We began our parish life with a  
plain Baptismal bowl, and without a  
Communion-set. For some time we  
were kindly permitted by Rev. Dr.  
Eaton, Rector of St. Clement's Church,  
to use its sacred vessels, and we cele-  
brated the Holy Communion on the  
third Sunday of the month. From  
the beginning the deaf-mute commun-  
icants and others have been associated  
in this solemn service.

On Wednesday evening, November  
16th, 1853, there was another public  
meeting held in our interests. The  
committee referred to above was re-  
appointed and requested to hasten the  
increase of the building fund.

On Thursday evening, December 1<sup>st</sup>,  
1853, a large meeting of deaf-mutes  
was held to help on our work. Mr.  
John Carlin presided, and Mr. G. W.  
C. Gamage acted as secretary. It ap-  
pointed a deaf-mute collector, who  
largely increased our building fund.

My venerable and beloved uncle,  
Rev. Dr. Cruse, began this year to  
take a lively interest in our progress.  
On the Sundays when I took my turn  
in officiating in the chapel of the in-  
stitution, he kindly conducted the  
service at St. Ann's.

On Christmas day, 1853, happening  
that year on Sunday, we used for the  
first time our new Communion-set,  
consisting of five pieces of solid silver.  
It cost \$150. The money was collect-  
ed by Miss Jane Ward, one of our  
most earnest friends.

On the 11th of September, 1854,  
our parish was incorporated under  
the legal title of "The Rector, Church  
Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Ann's  
Church for Deaf-mutes in the City of  
New York." It elected me as its Rector.  
Our parish was received into union  
with the Convention of the Dio-  
cese, October 28th, 1854, at the special  
meeting which elected the Rev. Horatio  
Potter, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese.

So we gradually grew towards sym-  
metry and effectiveness.  
At the Second Anniversary, in 1854,  
I reported the statistics for the year,  
but instead of entering them here, and  
in the other notices of anniversary  
sermons, I will give the grand totals  
at the end of the twenty-five years'  
history. There were at that time only  
twenty-five communicants, sixteen of  
whom were deaf-mutes. I referred to  
the course of lectures for deaf-mutes,  
which had been continued during the  
year on Thursday evenings.

At the Third anniversary, in 1855,  
it was reported that four lots on the south

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VIRGINIA Institution hogs average 187 lbs.

The Illinois Institution pupils had a Christmas tree.

The general health of the pupils at the Illinois Institution is good.

Some of the deaf-mutes of Kentucky think of emigrating to Florida.

The pupils of the Illinois Institution were treated to a turkey dinner.

The editor of the Virginia Gazette recently visited the Illinois Institution.

Two new societies have been organized by the little ladies of the Illinois Institution.

The Illinois Institution Base Ball Club recently whipped a college club—scored 13 to 6.

It is not too late we wish to congratulate the Mirror on its lively Thanksgiving issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Cox recently made their three little daughters a visit at the Kansas Institution.

The pupils at the Kentucky Institution are making preparations for celebrating Washington's birthday.

The Star is illustrating thoughts and desires that ought to make the reader man quale in his gratitude.

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THE DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL FOR 1878.

With the present number the Journal begins the seventh year of its existence, and herewith makes its bow to its readers, for the year 1878.

As is well known by those acquainted with its past history, the Journal began its career on the very smallest scale, and has been enlarged from time to time until it at the present stage comprises a respectable-sized paper of twenty-eight columns, having its subscription lists increased from year to year until it has to-day the largest circulation that any paper of its kind has ever enjoyed.

The Journal is the only State deaf-mute paper published in New York, being recognized by our Legislature as the organ for the deaf and dumb of the State of New York; but its principles are broad; and it is a welcome messenger among the deaf and dumb in every quarter of the Union, and also receives patronage from the Provinces of Quebec and Ottawa, and even from old England, the land of our fathers. Although a State paper, it finds itself a highly-prized visitor, and its appearance is eagerly looked for every week in the homes of deaf-mute families from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from Canada to New Orleans.

The office of the Journal is to accomplish the greatest possible amount of good within its power, for the largest number of deaf-mutes. Such has been its aim since its foundation, and such will be its future designs.

Under the blessing of Almighty Providence, the past career of our paper has met with average good success, and by His kind guidance, we hope in the future to make it prove a greater success.

The Journal now has an able and well-known staff of assistant editors, whose interests are strongly identified with those of our people, and has a large corps of highly-intelligent regular contributors, besides many occasional letter writers, and no trouble or expense is spared to sustain the reputation which it has acquired,—that of being the best paper published in the wide world for the benefit of the deaf and dumb.

During the present year we shall sustain the past high-moral tone of the Journal, and shall endeavor to make it even more welcome than in former years as a true friend to the deaf and dumb without distinction to any sect or locality: and we heartily invite the co-operation of all interested in the present and future welfare of the deaf and dumb.

We tender our most sincere and hearty thanks to all our old readers and friends, and earnestly solicit a continuance of their patronage and friendship; and invite those who have never been subscribers to the Journal to test its worth this year, trusting that they will be satisfied with the outlay of the small sum of money which it costs—\$1.50 a year in advance, postage paid.

With these brief statements concerning the outlook of the Journal during the present year, we hope to realize a large addition to its circulation.

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## The Itemizer.

Said a lady at the breakfast table this morning to a partially deaf boarder, "May I pass you the *Itemizer*, Mr. Jarney?" "Yes," said he, "She died in New Orleans some years ago." Then the deaf man left the table in anger because everybody laughed.—*Camden Post*.

A year or two ago, Dr. Gallandet in his report of the work of the Church Mission to Deaf-mutes, asked the principals of the various institutions to take a word from him kindly, not to crowd their schools beyond an attendance of 200 or 250. Dr. Gallandet's advice is often worth more than some people imagine.

A book agent in Council Bluffs, has encountered in the postoffice an inmate of a mute institution, and talked to him for an hour, showing him all the pictures, and urging the claims of the work upon him kindly and deliberately, considering before the taciturn and thoughtful gentleman opened with the sign of the alphabet.—*Examiner*.

There are 449 pupils in the Ohio Institution, and the superintendent will be much obliged to any one who will relieve him of a hundred or more.

There are four hundred and — pupils in the Illinois Institution, any body, reader, don't you breathe "small school" to any body who has the remote connection with that institution. Folks differ.

A bill has been introduced in Congress appropriating \$250,000 for the preparation of books and tangible apparatus for free distribution among the blind of the different States. The power of Congress in the matter of educational grandam established by precedents, among which we instance the endowment of the Hartwood and Kentucky Institutions for the Deaf.

Levin N. Perkins, of Anamosa, well known to the old settlers as a deaf-mute, now 60 years old, and married to his third wife last March, rejoicing that at last, he is a papa. A boy, baby weighing eight and a half pounds entered his domicile on father's day and the little forefather is every sign of healthy longevity and of ability to benefit his way through the world. Perkins is the proudest and happiest man this side of the Mississippi.—*Amherst, Ia., Eureka*.

A runaway freight car on a down grade, struck an engine, temporarily matted on said track, and the force of the collision opened the lever, and away it dashed at full speed, straight toward another engine containing three men, two of whom heard the danger and jumped, reeling, to the third to jump also, but he, being a deaf-mute heard not, and so when the debris was removed, this mangled remains were found at the bottom.

Dr. Gallandet wrote a brief note to the New York World, recently suggesting that those benevolently inclined make him their almoner, and saying he needed \$250, for distribution among the poor of his parish. This note the World inadvertently noticed editorially, and the remit was a sum of exactly \$21,00 to the good Dr., whereupon a second note was sent to the paper, with a statement of facts, and we hope this last appeal will or will bring the required sum.

Prof. W. C. of the Minnesota Institution, bought a cow, and proceeded to milk her. Bosy lifted her leg and while went the pail in one direction and the milker in another. Prof. C. was summoned: "He is an old granger (?) and the second round commenced with both men ambushed behind a wheelbarrow, but the cow soon learned to aim over the wheelbarrow. A young pupil from the Companion offices, then came to the rescue, and making good use of a rope, got enough milk for the family breakfast. Since then Bosy has yielded milk in peace.

The deaf-mutes of this city and vicinity have regularly engaged the services of a preacher, Mr. Samuel Rowe, of Massachusetts, who will visit Belfast on the last Sabbath of each month. Services will be held next Sunday forenoon and afternoon at the vestry of the North church. The mutes will all be present. There is no preacher in this language in Maine, and we learn that Mr. Rowe will work throughout the State the coming year under the direction of the Belfast Society of Deaf-mutes. There are five mutes in the town of Monroe.—*Belfast, Me., Journal*, Dec. 27, 1877.

The Index copying from the JOURNAL, says: "While looking over the file of the World we found in one of the copies of July 27th the following wonderful article. Which the JOURNAL fails to produce."

The article referred to related to a fishing excursion by some of the New York Deaf-mute Institution professors, and may be found in an itemizer column of the JOURNAL of December 13.

Messrs. Milton A. and Lawrence N. Jones, of Sand Hill, each presented the editor with a nice, fat chicken last week, for which our best thanks are tendered.

One of the instructors of the Kentucky Institution, on his way to town one night, stumbled over a wheelbarrow and hurt one of his legs severely.

The boys of the Indiana Institution practice gymnasium. It is reported that three of them have already broken their arms by jumping from the swing.

We observe that the location of the coming instructors' convention is praised by almost everybody. Mr. Pay and his institution are deservedly popular.

Prof. John Turner is meeting with many kind receptions among his numerous friends in the South, and his services for deaf-mutes are well attended.

Rev. Dr. Gallandet made an address in relation to "The Church Mission to Deaf-mutes," last Sunday evening, in Trinity Church, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

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Dr. Gillett, Superintendent of the Illinois Institution, accompanied by Mrs. Gillett, Mrs. Ball and Miss Tracy, recently visited Chicago on important business.

STEPHEN W. Fitch, of North Walton, Delaware County, N. Y., walked three miles, to Morrisville, transacted business, and returned home, all within three hours.

Several of the pupils of the Kansas Institution could not go home to spend the holidays, on account of the raging of diphtheria in the neighborhood of their homes.

Miss Madigan of the Michigan Institution prepared a paper on deaf-mute instruction, and it was read by Bishop Gillette, before a recent meeting of the clergy.

WORKS OF THE MIRROR may begin to sneeze, it is high time for the "Kansan satellite" to return to its shell and folks in general to quit making impudent remarks about woodpeckers and lackeys.

The last report of the Columbia Institution, which includes the National Deaf-Mute College, makes an instructor's month's wages, \$100 per month, and there during the year were 55 per cent. of the total expenditure.

The Boston Deaf-mute Society gave a Christmas party at Boylston Hall last night. About 100 deaf mutes attended, and a sumptuous collation was served. Everything passed off very pleasantly.—*Boston Herald*, Dec. 26, 1877.

The services of the Boston Deaf-mute Society, at Boylston Hall, on the 23d of December, were, as usual, largely attended. The sermon was preached by Prof. L. P. Marsh, of Houlton, on the subject, "Glorie to God the highest."

They are anxious folks at the West Virginia Institution. A big pond has been kept full near the institution, to supply water in case of the bursting of the main pipes, which actually happened during the recent great Virginia flood.

There are two future Presidents of the United States in Rome, N. Y., claiming deaf-mutes as parents—one eight weeks and the other ten weeks old. Both were interviewed the other day, and both declined to commit themselves on the situation.

The first meeting of the term, of the Michigan Deaf-mute Club, closed with acting charades. One was "Washington," and we can readily imagine our old friend, Prof. Brown, in the character of a singing master. By the way, who supplied the music?

The Mirror is authority for the happy item that the Michigan Institution "has been a very profitable source of gas for down town folks."

Which explains the ease with which a spark and occasional flash is touched off and thereby a match lighted down east.

No pains or expense will be spared to make the entertainment both inter-

esting and highly enjoyable. A cordial invitation is given to friends from far and near to come to the Mexico Deaf-mutes' Annual Sociable, Jan. 11th, 1878.

## TEMPERANCE LECTURE.

Edward Carswell, Esq., a distinguished Canadian temperance advocate has consented to deliver a lecture upon this subject in our village. He was very highly recommended by Mrs. Youmans, who spoke in our village lately and gave so great satisfaction, and she asserted that she thought he would please more than she had done even.

This lecture will be given in the Presbyterian Church, next Tuesday evening, January 8th, commencing at 7½ o'clock, and will be under the auspices of the Rehoboth Tent of this village, who will be present in regalia. There will be no admission fee.

The following are a few of the notices of the press:

"Cough must look out for his laurels or the yon Briton will certainly rob him of his title as the first mimic of the continent."—*Washington Chronicle*.

"He is certainly one of the most popular orators that have ever visited our city."—*Wilmington Journal and Statesman*.

"Edward Carswell, the great Canadian orator, like the eloquent Gough whom he resembles in many respects, fills his lecture with thrilling incidents, sound reasoning, and patriotic appeals."—*New York Times*.

"The expectations that had been raised in regard to his ability and eloquence were more than realized."—*Providence Journal*.

Come and hear him.

## PERSONAL.

The P. O. address of Prof. Job Turner for the month of January 1878 will be Rappahannock Station, Fauquier Co., Va.

## EPHESIANS SERVICES.

Sunday, Jan. 6th, being the Festival of the Epiphany, there will be missionary addresses in St. Ann's Church, New York, at 7:30 p. m., by Rev. Drs. Snively and Smith, interpreters.

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The little son of John Howard, of New Haven, who had a hip dislocated a few days ago, is improving quite rapidly.

Eleazer Rulison, teacher at the Alfred school district, has between fifty and sixty scholars with prospects of more soon.

Charles Alton, of the Poughkeepsie Business College, has recently been spending a few days in Syracuse with his son, who has been sick for some time.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. David Whyborn is very sick with typhoid fever, and that his case is very critical.

Mrs. E. M. Trowbridge has gone to Washington county, having received a message that her father was very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Sweeting, of Plank Road, N. Y., recently spent a few days with friends in this locality.

Rev. Burroughs Holmes has been sick for some time, and we are sorry to hear that his condition is precarious.

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The two young men mentioned in last week's JOURNAL as having been locked up Christmas evening for drunkenness, bore the name of Stoddard, and we understand were from the town of New Haven. They were detained until the next day taken before Justice Cole, and questioned as to where they obtained their liquor. One of them was under twenty-one years of age, and on the strength of their evidence Mr. Dillon, proprietor of the Empire House, was arraigned before the Justice, and gave bail to await the action of the grand jury, on the charge of selling liquor to a minor. The Stoddards were fined and released.

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These services will not interfere with those that each church may think proper to hold during that week. The meetings will begin and close promptly.

Hallowed Songs will be used, and as many as possible copies are requested to bring them. The special subject of prayer will be for a great work of grace in our village. To this end let Christians pray and work. Let them indeed unite for the work of God.

The Board of Supervisors finished their business last week, after holding a session of only 23 days. Last year they occupied 36 days.

A surprise party was given Will Morgan, last evening, in honor of his twenty-first birthday, at the house of his father, Mr. Peter Morgan.

Hon. D. W. C. Peck, re-elected member of Assembly, left home for Albany last Saturday, to be present at the convening of the Legislature January 1st.

The Diocesan of the Presbyterian Church Society, held at the house of C. L. Webb last Friday evening, was a very brilliant affair, and largely attended.

"Sol" Alexander showed his appreciation of the merits of his employees by giving each of them oysters on Christmas Day. Well done "Sol," may your "shad" never grow less.

Miss Flora Hartson gave a brilliant party to her numerous friends on Monday evening last. There was a very large attendance, and a very pleasant evening was spent.

While Fred French was driving his father's horses, on New Year's day, the whiffletree bolt slipped out, the horses got detached, and Fred in the carriage, and ran a short distance, when they were stopped. No serious damage was done.

During the mild weather of last week and the week previous, several boys, venturing too great a risk on rotten ice, broke through and took cold baths. A little precaution is necessary in regard to going on ice that is rotten and thin.

The auction sale of goods by Mr. E. Rulison at his store, Rainey, of Syracuse, auctioneer, after an adjournment of a few days, was re-opened Dec. 27th, and continues to draw large crowds of people, both day and evenings.

The Oratorio, "Joseph," at the M. E. Church last week Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, was a success, and highly appreciated by a well-filled house each evening. The total receipts for both evenings we are told amounted to \$272.88.

## MARRIED.

SMITH—MARTES.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Boston, Dec. 24, 1877, by Rev. Tridell, Mr. Orlando A. Smith, of Boston, and Miss Lizzie Martes, of Somerville, Mass.

## ULLINGWORTH—O'CONNOR.—In Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 12, 1877, by Rev. H. W. Syle, Mr. W. R. Cullingworth and Miss Ella O'Connor.

"We congratulate our friend Cullingworth, on the occasion of winning a precious jewel for his bride in the possession of one so beautiful and amiable. The happy couple have our

## Correspondence.

[Although our columns are open for the publicity of the opinions of all, we do not identify ourselves with, or hold ourselves responsible for those expressed by any of our correspondents.]

Rev. A. W. MANN at Pittsburgh.

MY DEAR MR. RIDER:—I had the pleasure of holding a service in Pittsburgh last Sunday afternoon, and of meeting my friends at its close. Bishop Kerfoot, of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, was present and occupied the chancel. At his request I read in signs the following address which he had prepared beforehand specially for the occasion:

### THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

I desire to express to you all my welcome and my blessing, we will all unite in a joint service of prayer and praise. You will speak to your Heavenly Father in your words without sound. Our hearing brethren will speak the same words with the voice, to the same Heavenly Father. He will hear us all alike. He hears the heart. Your sign language means the same to Him that the voices of our brethren here are before Him, through Christ, in heart and in voice. Our brethren join their hearts to your hearts. So do we all have the same needs, of soul as well as of body. We must all, alike, pray for God's grace, that is,—His free help for our souls. Our lives bring to us all the same temptations to sin, and the same hindrances in the pathway of duty. We are all sinful by our natures, and by our acts and thoughts; and we make many of our own hindrances. But God will help us even against our own sins, if we repent and ask His help. And the thought of the Judgment Day—the day of our Lord's second coming in glorious majesty—this thought ought to stir up our hearts to more sorrow for sin, and to more watchfulness. This is the meaning of this day's lecture.

The Prayer Book has one special prayer for each Sunday in the year—the Church's Christian year. This (Dec. 23d), is the last of the four Sundays in Advent,—of the four Sundays that come just before Christmas Day,—the day of our dear Saviour's first coming. And the prayer for this Sunday asks for God's plentiful grace to make us able and careful to live as we ought, in foresight of the Judgment. Let me give you that prayer—"O Lord, raise up, we pray thee, thy power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through the satisfaction of thy Son our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be honour and glory, world without end. Amen."

This prayer has been prayed on this Sunday among old Christians for fully 1,400 years. It has helped many a soul to find God's loving help against sin. God only can help us; and He will. Our sins "let"—that is, "stop" us in our way to Paradise. But God's bountiful, plentiful, merciful grace will deliver us, because His Son, our dear Lord, died for us, and now lives for us; and reigns over us, and over all things for our sakes. He will conquer satan for us, and make us victors over sin and death, by the help and comfort of His Holy Ghost. May He so bless you all; and now and forever; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Not very long after the service I was obliged to take a train for home, in order to be there in time for Christmas.

I expect to meet the General Manager of the Church Mission to Deaf-mutes in Detroit on the 15th of next month, and travel with him for ten days; at least, visiting and holding services at eight different points; the last being at Cleveland, on the 25th. This will be St. Paul's Day, the anniversary day of my ordination to the Diaconate.

I wish for you all a very enjoyable time at your sociable. Though I cannot expect to be with you in body, yet I can be with you all in spirit.

Yours faithfully,

A. W. MANN.  
23 Linden St., Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 25, 1877.

### A Happy Time in the Young Ladies' Society.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—Last Saturday morning I left my home, Poughkeepsie, to visit my brother, who is preaching at this place. On my arrival he was surprised, but pleased to see me. I attended church with him on Sunday, and had a very pleasant time.

I was just in time to be well remembered on Christmas, and came in for a good share of presents from my friends here.

I have had the pleasure, while here, of meeting some very delightful

young ladies, whose society has made the time pass very cheerfully, and made the week, indeed, a "Merry Christmas" week.

I send you a paper containing an account of a festival in which I took a very agreeable part.

I wish my paper sent to this place next week, as I would like to read the Christmas news from the deaf-mutes.

Yours sincerely,  
W. H. TERBUSH  
Belleville, N. J., Dec. 28, 1877.

### Prof. Job Turner on his Southern Route.

YORK, PA., Dec. 31, 1877.

MY DEAR MR. RIDER:—I have seated myself this cool morning, merely to let you know that I arrived here from Baltimore late last Saturday night, and that I conducted a service in St. John's Church yesterday afternoon, there being about twelve deaf-mutes present. The number would, no doubt, have been a little larger, but for the rain, as there are between twenty-five and thirty deaf-mutes in and around this city.

For the information of their friends I think it proper to say the names of the deaf-mutes present. They were Michael D. Bavanitz, John Lehr, Marcus C. Lanius, Mrs. Margaret S. Lanius, Benjamin Lanius, Mrs. Adeline R. Lanius, William A. Bentz, Miss Annie D. Bentz, all of York, Pa.; Jacob Sterline, of Columbia, Lancaster county, Pa., and others, whose names have dropped from my memory. All of them are doing well, and are an honor to the Philadelphia Institution, where they acquired the light of knowledge.

I feel glad to have made their acquaintance. I have found them all good and intelligent.

I am the guest of a nice old lady, whose husband, now at rest, was once a lawyer. I feel thankful to God that I am enjoying her hospitality very much, and that I am passing a pleasant and profitable winter, where I have already, by God's help, opened my southern mission work.

I would have given you a detailed account of my trip from Mexico, in this letter, but my time is so much occupied that I must ask you to wait till I can find it convenient to do so. No deaf-mute can form any exact idea how busy I am in my extensive southern mission work.

I go to Baltimore to-morrow afternoon.

Let me wish you all a "Happy New Year." Yours most sincerely,

JOHN TURNER.

### A CHRISTMAS TREE AND SOCIAL GATHERING IN BOSTON.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—I wish to write a little article which may interest your readers.

As it was known that a Christmas tree and social gathering was to take place with the Boston Deaf-mute Society, in Boylston Hall, on the evening of Christmas Day, over eighty deaf-mutes of Boston and vicinity, which exceeded their anticipations in number, assembled at the Hall, and warmly wished each other a Merry Christmas. It was a noticeable fact that the audience was composed more of the fair sex than the sterner sex, and the soft sex appeared to grow more or less pretty in their looks than ever. At nine o'clock the audience sat around the Christmas tree, which presented a beautiful sight, and was heavily laden with many nice things consisting of jewelry, books, pictures and many other articles too numerous to mention. The presents were distributed among the audience, to their delight, according to the names written on them.

After the distribution they went to an adjoining room where an abundant and excellent collation was partaken of. They then returned to the hall to spend the rest of the evening in various games as best they could, till late in the night, when they went home fully satisfied. The Christmas gathering was a very successful and enjoyable affair.

Much credit was due to Mrs. Wm. Lynde, a popular and motherly mute lady, who alone conceived the idea, and got up the successful Christmas gathering. On motion of Mr. Geo. A. Holmes, it was unanimously voted that thanks be tendered to Mrs. Lynde, which she graciously accepted. The pantomime was a splendid success from a money point of view, the profits running up into the hundreds.

It was given under the management of the Fanwood Literary Association, through a committee consisting of Messrs. Lloyd, W. G. Jones and Fox, with the president. Mr. Jones had charge of the play, and Mr. Lloyd of the financial part, and you may be sure that both are not ashamed of the showing they made.

We shall have another pantomime in the course of a month or so, the title of which is rumored to be "Ravel, or the Enchanted Sword." Ah! it is

### NEW YORK INSTITUTION NOTES.

#### PANTOMIME—CHRISTMAS.

It has long been a vexed question to many of the fair sex whether an old maid is happier than a married woman. No doubt many a poor care-free wife has sighed for the pleasures of single blessedness, and, on the other hand, quite as many lonely spinster have cast their eyes wistfully over their neighbor's fence at the marriage lot. To all resolute young maids, it will be interesting to know that this point has been settled at last; for on Saturday, Dec. 14th, the Fanwood Literary Association took it up for discussion. Both sides of the question were thoroughly aired, and it was very amusing as well as interesting to see several of the grown up folks, who were suspected of being "spoons" on the girls, stand up stoutly for single blessedness. It is likely, though, that they took care not to speak too strongly, and, perhaps, they comforted themselves with the thought that "saying is not doing." At any rate the association, by an overwhelming majority, decided that a married woman is the happiest. It was remarkable how few of the girls voted. Most of them we have no doubt thought marriage preferable, but, woman-like, were too shy to say so. Four or five supported old maids, and three or four brave, sensible girls voted for married women.

Barney is a rising young man, and some day the silent community may have reason to be proud of him. He brought a present of some ferns for our cabinet, not green ferns, if you please, but fossilized in solid slate rock; also a piece of fossil bark. We understand that he dug them out of the ground in a coal mine, three hundred feet under ground. It was a very acceptable addition to our cabinet.

Christmas passed off very quietly. There was no school. At 12:30 Dr. Peet preached a short sermon, and at one p. m. we had dinner. The boys and girls amused themselves as they pleased after that till evening, when there was a social reunion. Then fruit and candies were distributed among them, and at 8:45 they were all sent to bed.

The New York Athletic Club, the leading athletic club of this city, is going to hold a grand athletic tournament at Gilmore's garden, on the evening of January 4th and 5th. It promises to be something grand, and several of our boys have entered their names for competition. Walking and running are the principal features, and we can represent our club pretty well there.

MILO.  
Washington Heights, Dec. 28, 1877.

### A Visit at the "Home"—Some Presents.

The evening of Dec. 22d was made pleasant to the officers and inmates of the Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-mutes, by the gathering at the Home of a number of its friends, each of whom brought an appropriate present for the inmates, consisting of delicacies of the season or articles of wearing apparel.

Among those present were noticed Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Gallaudet, Mrs. John Carlin and daughters, Mrs. Sippey, Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mr. and Mrs. Jewell, Mr. and Mrs. Knox, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, Miss Carrie Durbrow, Miss Satie Howard, Mr. Moses Heyman, Mr. Jacques Loew, Mr. Schutt, and others.

The party was a surprise, and was brought about by the thoughtfulness of Miss Satie Howard, who first suggested it, and was highly successful.

When Dr. Gallaudet came in he had with him a large picture, which, when uncovered, we saw was a perfect portrait of Dr. H. P. Peet, in crayon, the gift of Miss C. V. Hagadorn, the teacher of drawing at the New York Institute for the Deaf and Dumb. It was amusing to see the old man, when they saw the picture, lift their hands and place the first two fingers against one side of their nose (Dr. Peet's sign), with a look of recognition.

The genial Jacques Loew, so lately a stranger to our shores, contributed four nice plump geese for the Christmas feast of the inmates. During his short stay here, Mr. Loew has won the friendship of all with whom he has come in contact, and they sincerely hope that his stay will be prolonged, and that his adopted country may, in time become as dear to him as his Fatherland.

The Home is a very pleasant one and the matron, who is so kind and attentive to those under her care, has become much endeared to them, and enough cannot be said of the good work Dr. Gallaudet is doing in giving a home to those otherwise homeless ones. They seemed much pleased with the gifts and presence of their friends, whose efforts were to make their Christmas one of the most enjoyable ones they have ever passed.

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### SPECIAL NOTICE.

The undersigned desires to call attention to the "Cullingworth Alphabet cards" (single and double-hand alphabet on both sides), which have been transferred to Rev. Thomas Gallaudet for the benefit of the Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf-mutes. Every deaf-mute should remember the Home

like a glimpse of the old times to see the pantomime again.

On Friday, Dec. 21st, the Christmas Holidays began, and more than half of the pupils went home to meet Santa Claus and the new year. One half of the teachers went also, so that the great room looks rather bare and lonesome from the scanty number of inmates.

Saturday evening, who should drop in but Mr. Bernard Clark, one of the prize graduates of the class of '75, who is now foreman of the Scranton Daily Times, of Scranton, Pa. We

had not seen him for more than a year and were proportionately gratified.

The following is the price of the cards: 25 Cards \$1.00 25 cents  
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Yours respectfully,

W. R. CUTTERWORTH.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Deaf-mute papers please copy.

### A CHRISTMAS TREE PARTY.

The deaf-mutes of New Haven, Conn., had their annual Christmas tree party at Mr. and Mrs. Leverett G. Leek's residence, inviting all deaf-mutes from other towns and the surrounding country. They spent all night in the highest degree of social enjoyment, with a sumptuous repast which they brought from their homes, besides having nuts, figs, dates, oranges, confectionery and other delicacies. They also brought with them presents, each one in turn not knowing what he or she was to receive till it was delivered from the tree,—such as brooms, wooden-ware, britannia and glass-ware, hardware, fancy goods, robes, mats, slippers, mottoes, books, &c.

All, to the number of about fifty, were very communicative in the dead of the night, like busy bees, till a signal passed from hand to hand, calling all to breakfast. Hot coffee and tea had refreshed their sleepy eyes, when the curtain was rolled up, daylight peeped in to roseeate their pale cheeks, and all were preparing for the early trains, homeward bound. From youth to age every smile of innocence seemed to be on the wings of love and gentleness. The story of the wrongs of honest JOHN PATTERSON—HOW HE WAS IMPOSED UPON BY JOHN WILLIAMSON.

—Nelson A. Baldwin, who had his right arm crushed while coupling cars at Council Bluffs in 1869, has received a verdict of \$8,000 damages against the C. R. I. & P. R. R. in Cass county, after a third trial of the case.

—Commissioner General McCormick

has arranged that the ship Supply shall

sail from New York Feb. 1st, the Con-

stitution Feb. 15th, and the Wyoming

March 1st, with goods for the Paris

Exposition. Mr. McCormick sails

March 1st.

—The New York Sun says millions

have been lost during the past six

months on sales of imported sugars,

and the present stocks sold at to-day's

prices would entail the loss of millions

more. The cause of the reverse of the market has been a mystery.

—Mrs. Mary D. Hooper, of Brook-

lyn, who stole \$300 worth of diamond

jewelry from Mrs. William H. Delaney

on the 23d of October, has been

tried and sentenced to one year's im-

prisonment in the penitentiary. She

fainted at the announcement of her

sentence.

—The entire expenses to the State

of Pennsylvania of the July riots reach

about half a million. The Philadel-

phia and Reading Railroad charges

\$13,000 for transporting troops to pro-

tect the road. The Pennsylvania Rail-

road will also charge for transporting

troops.

—Boston has an eleven-year-old

murder case on hand. John Cronin,

aged three years, and Henry Hickey,

aged eleven years, were at play when

the former scratched the latter on his face and started to run down stairs.

Hickey followed to the head of the

stairs and fired a revolver, hitting the

little fellow and causing his death in

a few minutes.

—Three men called at the house of

V. Harris, a merchant of Rockport,

Pike County, Ill., at two o'clock, on

the morning of Dec. 18th, and induced

him to go to his store and sell them

a coat for a man, who, they said, had

just died. While Harris was unlock-

ing the safe to get change the men

